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TO: Honorable Robert Puente, Chair, House Committee on Natural Resources

FROM: John Keel, Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB2888 by Cook, Robby (Relating to removing exemptions for certain wells and impounded water.), **Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

Current law allows a person to retain 200 acre/feet of water on his or her property without a permit or more that 200 acre/feet as long as the average does not exceed 200 acre/feet in any 12-month period. The bill would make damming water or using a well to provide water for a lake or pond solely for aesthetic landscape purposes ineligible for the permitting exemption.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

Source Agencies: 580 Water Development Board, 582 Commission on Environmental Quality

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